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Filed: October 26, 2001 ) Confirmation No.: 1907  
For: Method and System for Processing ) Attorney Docket No.: 08286.105004  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

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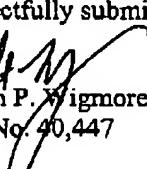
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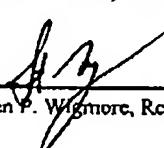
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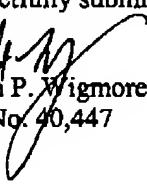
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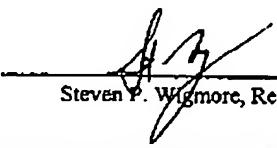
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